

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government wait till the permanent Chief Engineer returns and gives his opinion before he passes final orders?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—He will be taking charge in a few days?

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to state what they mean to do to restore the economic condition?

President.—I do not think that arises out of this question.

Kaicheri-Kuruvancheri road—Talappalli Taluk.

262. Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) referring to question 148 of the Legislative Session (Vrischigam) of 1108 whether the land plan promised during 1107 Budget Session been received as yet;

(b) if received what action has been taken on it?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—(a) No.

(b) The question does not arise in view of the above answer.

Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—Do not the Government generally see that the undertakings of the Heads of Departments are carried out?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—As far as funds permit.

Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—What is the fund necessary for submitting plan and estimate?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—A more statement of plan and estimates will not take us any further. Land acquisition is necessary and it requires money.

Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—My question refers to the undertakings of the department to submit land plan and estimates for particular works. Has that been received? My supplementary question is, is it not generally the case that the Government see that the undertakings of the Departmental Heads are carried out.

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—It is the duty of the Government to see that the undertakings are carried out. In this particular instance mere submission of estimates will not widen the road. It must be followed by land acquisition and acquisition means money. Since no money is budgetted for, Government did not insist upon it.

Action taken on Council motion to have a permanent Irrigation Department.

263. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state what action has been taken by the Government

as regards the motion passed in the last budget session to have a permanent Irrigation Department or section?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—The Government have already created a separate Irrigation Division under a separate Assistant Engineer and they propose to wait and see the result of the working of the Division before the question of making it permanent is taken into consideration.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—What method of procedure has been followed by the Government to make this Council aware of the action taken by the Government with regard to motions passed by the Council? If a resolution is passed Government issues a Proceedings. But in the case of motions no such action has been taken by the Government. May I know whether the Government has passed any Proceedings or taken any other step to show the action taken on the motions passed by the Council?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Separate orders are not passed on cut motions.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Is this Irrigation Division working in areas where there is urgent necessity for irrigation?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—Yes.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Is it now working in Nemmara as well?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—It is not exactly working now in Nemmara; but the question of the two works has been investigated.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Have instructions been issued to this division to see that Nemmara Irrigation also is duly considered?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—Nemmara Division was considered. The two works were investigated by this division.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—What action has been taken by the Government with reference to the motions passed by the Council? Government had proposed to have a division even before the Budget Session?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Every point raised in the cut motion is disposed of; separate reports are called for and each is disposed of according to its merits. In this particular instance I do not remember the date of the order. Presumably Government ordered that a separate division is not necessary and that the temporary division can well do the work.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—May I know whether the Government issues orders with reference to each cut motion?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Only if action has to be taken. In other words, when a report is received, even without referring to it, Government can know that the point raised in the cut motion does not need a separate order or specific action. In

this case no orders were passed. A Proceedings will be issued in some cases.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—May I know whether the Government will follow a satisfactory method by which they can bring to the attention of the Council the action taken by them on the motions passed by the Council?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—There will be more than 100 cut motions in a Budget Session. Government do not think there will be any need to publish these orders. If they are important enough, they will be published.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Are cut motions not important?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Some are not so important as to deserve publication.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Is it not necessary that it should be brought to the attention of the Members of the Council who have participated in the proceedings? Is it not necessary that they should be acquainted with the disposal of the cut motions passed by them?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Nothing specific is done unless it be a very important order deserving publication. In the case of other motions, Members find out the result from the Gazette, from the Press, or by putting a question or by moving a resolution.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Will such important orders be published in the Gazette?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It is always done.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to consider the necessity of publishing the orders passed on the cut motions carried in the Council?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Government have no objection to consider that.

Visit of the Director of Public Health to the Ottupara arecanut market.

264. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Director of Public Health or any of his subordinates visited the Ottupara arecanut market after the Vrischigam sitting of the Legislative Session of 1108;

(b) whether on that occasion any statement or statements were taken from any one in the market;

(c) what was the reason for the visit and the statements;

(d) will copies of these statements be placed on the Council table?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes, Director of Public Health in company with the Sanitary Inspector, Northern Division, inspected the market on 29th Vrischigam 1108.